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Computational Science 260

Midterm Exam

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Marks

1. Let P be "grass is green", Q be "ice is hot", and R be "the year has 400 days". Express the statement $(P \wedge \neg Q) \Rightarrow (\neg P \vee R)$ in English. Also, find the truth value of this expression. 10

2. A **group** is defined as a set, together with an operation which is associative, has an identity element, and an inverse for each element. For the following three cases, state whether or not the set is a group. In particular, state if the operation in question is associative, and indicate the identity element. Also, indicate how the inverse is normally expressed. 15

1. \mathbb{N} with the operation $+$.
2. \mathbb{Z} with the operation $+$.
3. \mathbb{Z} with multiplication.

3. Is it possible that the union of two symmetric relation, both of which are defined on the same set, is not symmetric? If your answer is negative, give an explanation in English. If your answer is positive, give an example. 8

4. Give a formal proof for $\exists x \forall y P(x, y) \vdash \forall y \exists x P(x, y)$. 15

5. Let $A = \{1, 2, 4\}$, and let $B = \{3, 4, 6\}$. Find $(A - B) \times (B - A)$. 10

6. Write Prolog predicates for the following definitions. Note that Prolog accepts the normal relational operators, such as $>$, \geq , and so on. 16

1. Write a predicate `wealthy(Age, Income)` which succeeds if the income exceeds 1000 times the age.
2. Write a predicate `tax(Sale, Tax, Total)` which calculates a 14% tax on sales above \$1, and adds to `Sale` in order to find `Total`. If `Sale` is below \$1, the tax is zero.

7. Use induction to show that $3n \leq n^2$ for all $n \geq 3$. Establish the base of 14 induction, and the inductive step.

8. Let R and S be two predicates. Given $r(x,y)$ is stored as a fact in the 12 data base if xRy , and that $s(x,y)$ similarly represents the relation S . Write a Prolog predicate $rcircs(X,Y)$ which succeeds if (X,Y) are in the relation $R \circ S$.

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